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METHOD OF FORMING LASER MARK ON OPTICAL DISK, REPRODUCING APPARATUS, OPTICAL DISK AND METHOD

OF PRODUCING OPTICAL DISK

## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION **DATED DECEMBER 4, 2002**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action dated December 4, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 31 as follows (all words are underlined, as original claim 31 and now amended claim 31 are new relative to the claims in Patent No.

5,761,301):

(Once Amended) An optical disk comprising:

a data zone having pits indicating data signals readable by light radiation:

a reflective layer formed on the data zone; and

portions of the reflective layer being trimmed by a laser forming markings.

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